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LDS Star of Opera, Stage Coming! Ewan Harbrecht To Appear In Concert At Scottish Rite Auditorium

Miss Harbrecht will make only one Bay Area appearance this year, it is said. Flying from New York and interrupting an Eastern concert tour, this LDS lyric soprano comes for an Oakland appearance in August.

Miss Ewan Harbrecht, known and loved best by Latter-day Saints for her solo work with the Tabernacle Choir when on tour of Europe, and also at the dedicatory services in the Los Angeles Temple, will come to Oakland for only one glorious concert for the Bay Area in the Masonic temple beside Lake Merritt, Friday evening, Aug. 24th at 8:30 p.m.

Wins Highest Honor

From music critics in the East and West, and also in Italy this California Mormon girl has won the highest praise for operatic and concert stage appearances,.

The Oakland Tribune called Miss Harbrecht "a rare artist, combining a really fine voice with a lovliness and sense of interpretation that made me think of no less an artist than Lotte Lehman."

A great Eastern critic writing in the Pittsfield, Mass., Eagle. spoke of Miss Harbrecht in an operatic role as "using her easy and limpid voice with distinction."

Two renowned Italian music critics writing in Milan, Italy papers of our Mormon singer used such phrases as "very pleasing voice and secure technique rare in a chamber music singer," "has style, precise intonation and taste and an enchanting appearance and personality", "gifted with fine vocal qualities and with intelligence."

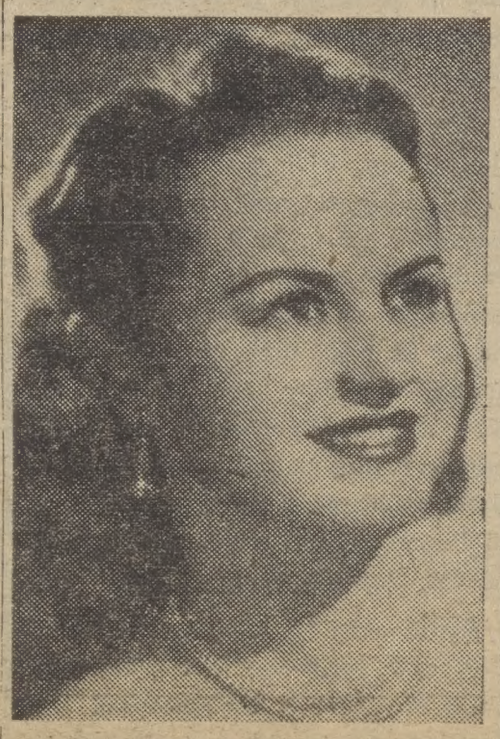
No need to speak of Miss Harbrecht's appearances as Mimi in "La Boheme," Antonia in "The Tales of Hoffman," Fiordiligi in "Cosi Fan Tutti," and Gretel in Hansel and Gretel." She is one of America's great divas!

Her concerts in Milan were sponsored by the great A.R.C. Artist Bureau which manages only top-flight artists. Her California reception as a budding artist with the Los Angeles Light Opera Association, the Redlands Bowl and with the Modesto Symphony Orchestra were sure promises of the enthusiasm that has followed her career in the East and on the continent of Europe.

An ardent Latter-day Saint, Miss Harbrecht is giving her time free for the August 24 Oakland appearance entirely as a building-fund benefit for the sponsoring Castro Valley Ward Building Committee.

As a person Miss Ewan is moderately tall, has delicate, fair skin, light brown hair and blue eyes. She has made very successful dramatic appearances on radio and television, and has also scored as an accomplished instrumentalist. She is a musician, thru and thru.

Tickets are on sale at Sherman Clay's in Oakland or from P.O. Box 268, Hayward California. Reservations may be made by phoning LUcerne 2-9321 or ELgin 1-7200. Prices are fitting to the artistic quality of this really great star of the music world and must be viewed in this light. The benefit to a LDS chapel will also be kept in the forefront of one's decision to attend. Let the whole Bay Area gather for one glorious evening, bringing friends in abundance. Prices $2 to $4 for reserved seats.



MISS EWAN HARBRECHT

Ray Rackley Joins Messenger Staff

Ray Rackley, Claremont Ward, is the new Messenger reporter for Berkeley Stake. Business manager of the Temple Hill Players, Elder Rackley is also a teaching assistant at "Cal" where he is working toward a Ph.D. in modern languages. Ray is helping in several ways on the Messenger, including a column of book reviews.

The '56 Mormon Battalion Marched July 1-9, 1956

Four hundred Utahns donned 1846 Army uniforms July 1-10. They revived the historic Mormon Battalion for ten days, treking over portions of the old Battalion and Donner trails.

Leaving Salt Lake July 1, the

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Coming Stake Conferences

S.F. Stake, Sept. 29-30.
Oakland, Sept. 1-2; Nov. 17-18
Palo Alto, Sept. 8-9; Nov. 24-25.
Berkeley, Aug. 25-26; Oct. *13-14.
*Special Programs for 10th Birthday of Stake.

4-Stake Directory To Be Mailed In August

Members of the four stakes, Palo Alto, San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, will receive by mail an August "bonus" in the form of a 4-Stake Directory of business, professional and Church official personnel.

The last Liahona-club sponsored Directory was distributed in 1950 or the Oakland and Berkeley Stake members. Never before has such a publication been printed for the four stakes.

We shall await with interest responses from our members on receiving this new gift of the Messenger to its readers. Needless to say, it represents hours of planning and work.

High School-ers Get Pep, Beauty By Tasty Foods

East High teens in Salt Lake City are on the way to greater beauty for girls and pep for boys along with keener minds.

And how? Well, kind friends, they're perking up their mealtime habits a bit.

Seems that Kiwanis International and the National Dairy Council have selected key high schools in two states, Florida and Utah, for a pilot try for better health thru wiser nutrition and tastier eating habits of young people.

A student committee took a look at student lunches and rated them in three categories, Good, Fair, Poor.

And were they surprised at what they discovered. Less than half the boys and about one girl out of five were eating meals in the Good category.

See what you think of Good lunches: main dish (sandwich or main entree of protein), vegetable and fruit, bread and butter, milk and dessert. The poor lunch looks like this: no main dish, no milk, too many starches and sweets.

Maybe verse 10, of the Word of Wisdom was really "on the beam" of truth after all.

Special Gondoliers Announcement

Two performances of the Gilbert and Sullivan opera, "The Gondoliers," are scheduled for late August as a San Francisco Stake MIA summer activity. August 29th, 30th.

All leading roles have been cast; enthusiasm grows apace.

...Hoddy Guittard is director and sings one role.
...Other male leads are Garry Thompson, Udell Poulson, Gib Hutchings, Ben Gassoway and Al Townsley.
...Young women leads are Chriss Politis, Phyllis Bingham, Ramona Robinson, Gayle Wood, Lois McDaniel, Gail Murray, Colleen Brown.
...An excellent chorus from all San Francisco Wards.
...Jean Lauper is Music Director.
... Nadda Smith, Linda Johnson and Bonnie Lauper, accompanists.
...Ben and Lois Gassoway, dance directors.

You be the Judge: Does this not promise to be one of the **Choicest Musical Entertainments** ever presented by San Francisco Stake? We think so; and we all will soon know so. Music lovers from our Bay Area Stake are invited.

Gigantic Carnival-Bazzar Plus At Recreation Center, Walnut Creek Set For Ward's Welfare Budget Fund

Plans for a gigantic carnival-bazaar affair to be held on Friday, August 31 and Saturday, September 1, at the Recreation Center in Walnut Creek are in the making, it was announced today by Bishop Mark Bickley of Walnut Creek Ward.

The two-day program will feature booths, games, midget ponies straight from Disneyland and scores of other favorite carnival attractions with the proceeds going towards the ward's welfare assessment fund.

Bishop Bickely has appointed J. Keith Pope as chairman of the event, aided by Clovey La Croix, Floyd Pickett and Iral Hodge.

The carnival will open at 10 a.m. and close at 11 p.m. during the two-day run. The entire program will be under the supervision of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints.

Bishop Bickley has issued a cordial welcome to all wards throughout the Bay Area to attend the bazaar. "We promise plenty of fun for the adults as well as the youngsters. All details are being ironed out and from the looks of things, we are going to have a tremendous program," Bickley said.

Some of the features include archery shoot, dart games, french fry booth, fishpond booth, "white elephant" booth, hot dogs and soft drinks, cake sale, "Bishops Dunk" (poor Mark), basketball throw, corn on the cob booth, pony rides, sketch artist, putting and approach game and the Carnation merry-go-round. Several other terrific acts are being lined up but are awaiting confirmation at this writing.

It promises to the greatest show on earth since the folding of the Barnum and Baily circus!

Grand Pageant 'And It Came To Pass' Presented With Spoken Verse, Music By Burlingame, San Bruno, Sharp Park

By Donna Peterkin

Burlingame and San Bruno Wards and Sharp Park Branch united July 24 to produce an inspring, original pageant, "And It Came To Pass . . . !" by James Ira Young of Burlingame Ward. The memorable pageant was written in blank verse with original music. Over 100 persons paricipated. A capacity crowd filled the chapel and recreation hall, some coming from neighborhood wards and stakes.

About a year ago when Brother Young suffered a heart attack, Bishop Curtis of San Bruno Ward visited him and suggested that he utilized his convalescene to do some creative writing. Bishop Curtis then commissioned him to write a pageant telling of the restoration of the gospel. He has done more, for this pageant is one of a trilogy. The other two will present the exodus and the present day.

The entire production was directed by R. Whitney Groo with capable assistance from Doris Whitacre, director; Robert Denny, stage manager; Richard Walker, special lighting effects; Melva Herbert, scenery director; Jenny Davies, costumer; and Marjean Bell Wrede, make-up artist. The stirring music was provided by a Burlingame Ward choir under the direction of Gordon Low, with violin trio accompaniments by Linda Peterson, Merle Gaisford and Lynette Arneson. A solo, "Poor Way-Faring Man of Grief" was rendered in the character of John Taylor by Ruben Brrell from the stage.

The twelve striking episodes of the Restoration were presented reverently with fitting and effective original background paintings and properties in twelve scenes with musical interludes by the choir. The scenes were presented as follows:

Scene 1—At Home: Joseph Smith, his father and mother and the other children.

Scene 2—The Grove: The Father, The Son, Joseph.

Scene 3—The Country Store: The storekeeper, townspeople.

Scene 4—The Messenger: Joseph,

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Messenger Again Tells Monthly Deadline Date

The messenger's regular deadline is the 20th of the month preceding month of issue. Earlier is better. Don't fall into the habit of sending reports in later than the deadline. Our printer is then handicapped.

Sometimes we have been able to crowd reports in the last minute before printing, but that usually is a gamble. Don't assume that we can always find a place for late reports. Better be early, when possible, than late. Remember the 20th deadline! Thank you all, very, very much.

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San Lorenzo Ward

MIA Board's New Leaders

By L. Wimmer

Delwin R. Fielding is the new MIA manual counselor; Kenneth Ted Torgerson, activity counselor; Mildred Wray, drama director; Joyce Bodenhammer, junior gleaner teacher; Melva Smith, bee hive teacher.

Oakland Stake President Delbert F. Wright just prior to his departure for Minneapolis, and President Ream gave us many excellent instructions in our sacrament meeting.

Robert Smead, son of our Bishop, has been released from the service. The family have moved to Sunnyvale.

Visitors with the Al Friddis family were his mother, and his niece, both of La Habra, California.

S. S. Party

Our ward Sunday School superintendency, Hal Madson, William Meine and Dean Starr and Ila Daley, sponsored a steak barbecue, June 30.

Marlen Swim has gone to San Diego for an indefinite visit with relatives, and later to travel with them in the East.

Sister Douglas Larsen's brother was a recent visitor at the Douglas Larsen home.

Marilyn Olsen Worley, will leave in the near future, to join her husband, Keat, in Japan.

Bishop's Daughter

Mary Alison Thompson of, Washington, daughter of our Bishop, with her four children, are vacationing with her parents. While here, her son Monte Richard, was baptized by his grandfather, Bishop Smead. Claude M. Thompson visited here July 10 and returned to Washington with his family.

George Wood, grandson of Mrs. Esther Polson, was home for ten days from Camp Pendleton.

Irene and Lahua Young spent a few days visiting in San Jose. The Les Wheeler family and the Bob Ashby family report delightful vacations in Utah. The Dee Smith family also spent some time in Utah. Frances Peterson and two children made a visit to Los Angeles. The Ostler family were also visitors in Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Smith announce the engagement of their daughter, Kay, to Tom Vastine.

Los Angeles Temple sessions were attended this month by Mr. and Mrs. Al Friddis and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Josslin.

Many ladies and children attended the picnic given this week by the Relief Society at the Hayward plunge park.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Chugg are the parents of a new baby girl, Alice Fern, Mrs Chugg is in Idaho with her parents and Ray is serving in the Navy. He will be stationed in the Bay Area for the next three years.

John J. Buckmiller, brother of Carl on leave from the navy, is visiting here and Idaho.

Oakland Stake E

Oakland Fifth Ward Bids Farewell To Pres. Delbert and Mrs. Wright

By Mildred Fontano

On the evening of July 22 in the Oakland Fifth Ward a program and testimonial was given for President Delbert F. and Gertrude Wright. A social hour and refreshments followed the meeting. We now miss our genial, efficient president . . .

The lovely and talented Eleanor Goodsell, daughter of Clarence and Jane Goodsell of Oakland Third Ward, was tendered a farewell tesimonial in June prior to entering the mission home in Salt Lake City. She has been on the MIA stake board this year; also was organist for the Sunday School. Eleanor had been a stake missionary.

Her family of nine sisters and three brothers are active church workers. The youngest sister, Irene, now is a stake missionary, being the youngest in the stake mission. Her father, Clarence Goodsell, and brother-in-law, Earl Milliron, have each filled several stake missions.

Eleanor was employed as a dental assitant to Dr. Armis Ashby; she previously worked for Beneficial Life Insurance Co.

Her schooling was secured in Oakland and at the BYU.

S.S. Board Feted

The new members of the Stake Sunday School board gave the older members in service a summer party at the home of Stake Sunday School Supt. Mariner Swensen July 18. Della Swensen is in Hyrum, Utah, caring for her ailing parents.

Earl and Billy Joyce Milliron had their adopted son, Peter, who is nearly two years old, sealed to them in the Los Angeles Temple recently.

Our sympathies to Elder Von Dell aChamberlin who was district president in the Bay Area Mission. His parents, the Leo Chamberlins, were kille din an automobile arcident near St. George on their way home from accompanying the Mormon Batallion Boys on their trek through California.

The Jones'

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Jones recently returned via Canada fror a four-months tour of 17 countries in Europe and North Africa. They lament the poverty viewed in Italy and Spain. In Seville there are beautiful, large cathedrals decorated in jewels and gold worth fabulous sums, and yet thousands of beggars are on the streets. The Jones' visited our elders in the many countries and observed their high caliber.

Auto Accidents

Stanley and Carol Stewart and two daughters were injuried in an auto accident in New Mexico, while returning from a vacation in Colorado, Utah and Arizona. Sherie was unconscious for some time and Carol received a cut. But it's remarkable that no one was killed. The Davidsons, Mrs. Stewart's parents, rushed to Albuquerque to bring them home.

ELEANOR GOODSELL
. . . Oakland Third Ward missionary has now reached her field of labor.

Edward and Mavis Humphreys and sons Bary and Johnny of Caldwell, Idaho, formerly of Oakland, rolled their car over on their way here but no one was seriously hurt and the car runs fine again.

The Daughters of Utah Pioneers held commorative programs in twelve wards in Alameda County, "The Hard Cart Pioneers" being the theme. It is one-hundred years since thousands or our ancestors walked fourteen hundred miles pushing and pulling all their possessions in hand carts.

The 24th of July was celebrated on July 21 at Arroya Viejo Park by Oakland and Bedkeley Stakes. It was a day of visiting friends, games, sports, races for children, programs and food in a beautiful park.

Annabell Hart, president of the Oakland Stake Relief Society, announces that a rummage sale will be held Sept. 4, 1956, at the St. George Hall, 2440 Grove St., Oakland. She requests the sisters of the stake to save articles and clothing for this sale.

There are three new Relief Society persidents in the stake. Lucille Brown has moved to Castro Valley from Oakland Second Ward and was released as president. Mabel Drushell is the new president with Lavaun Smith and Carrie Ferrera as counselors. The newly organized Hayward Second Ward has Lavaun Osmond as president with Grace Hansen and Jennie Perry, counselors, and Nora Harris, secretary. The Castro Valley Relief Society president is Violet Fontano.

San Leandro Ward

Hats Off To Senior Aaronic Priesthood Group

Our hats off to Bro. Frank Nelson and the members of the Senior Aaronic Priesthood of San Leandro Ward!

Last month Stake YMMIA Supt. J. Newell Christensen offered our building fund chairman one hundred dollars for help in constructing a board fence around his fine new Bayo Vista home.

Inspired by Frank Nelson and under the foremanship of Sen. Aaronic priesthood member, Glen Lester, a large number reported one Saturday and completed the job. The following participated: Glen Lester, Basil McBride, Daniel Canning, Arthur Longdon, Halmar Rose, Jacob Visscher, Merle Etherton, Jack Davis, Kenneth L. Frye, Aaron Burrows, Bro., Heike, Patch Curtis and Gerald Ludvigsen.

Sister Helene Christensen served a tasty lunch to the workman at noon. Drive by MacArthur Blvd. and Sybil Ave. and view the finished product. Thanks to all of you. —San Leandro Ward Bishopric.

Announcement

A microfilm reader is now available free for those interested in genealogical research.

Many records are available at the home of Mary B. Russell, 3737 Coolidge Ave., Oakland.

For appointments, day or evening hours, call Grace Jackson, KE. 3-1181.

Hayward Ward.

Two Organizations List New Heads

By Judy Anlin

Our new Sunday School superintendency is Jay Clawson and Louis Schmill and Brother Burnum. Still leading the Relief Society as president is Myrtle Davidson. Her new counselors are Nancy Middleton and Ella Sadler.

John Monte, Jr. heads the Fireside group, with Barbara LaPray vice-president and Judy Ahlin secretary. Bro. and Sis. Charles Parker consented to serve as advisors The officers picked Adele Lacky to head their activities with Delna McClellan, Judy Edner and Kay Harwood acting as her committee. Junt before the elections the Fireside took an afternoon trip to Pescadero where they all enjoyed the water and sand.

Brother Phil Daniels, his wife, Pat, and their son, Matt, left for Utah on June 8. He accepted the position as teaching assistant in the psychology department at the Brigham Young University.

Recent vacationers include Vera Crockett, her two sons, David and Jay, at Lake Tahoe, Delna McClellan at Sacramento, Judy Edner at Fresno.

Near the first of the summer Sister Bertha LaPray spent several weeks in Salt Lake City. Sister Betty Hughes and her family are vacationing in Los Angeles.

Sister Hughes is president of the Hayward Ward Primary.

Richmond Ward

Sunday Services On Temple Site

By Beverly Stevensen

Our ward Sunday evening service was held on the temple site in Oakland July 1. Brother Wendell Sorenson talked on the history of temples constructed by the church. Brother Joseph Cross talked on the importance of temple marriage. Those present were shivering in the brisk wind, but their hearts were warm with thanksgiving for the future temple to be built on that appropriate site.

We had another treat the night of July 8, when Berkeley Ward presented their impressive drama "It Could Happen to You", a story which illustrates the necessity of temple marriage in order to have a continuance of family life in the hereafter.

The Relief Society had a very successful meeting held jointly with East Richmond Ward July 10. Pacific Gas and Electric company presented a demonstration, pointing out how to "live better electrically". Highlighting the afternoon was an informative cooking class conducted by Mrs. Ester Day, graduate home economist for PG&E.

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Oakland Ward

Changes Made In All Organizations

By Joanne White

Bro. Brown was released as first counselor to Bishop Rounds. John Drushel was sustained to that position and Bryce White was sustained as second counselor.

This made it necessary to reorganize the Sunday School since Bro. White had been the first assistant there.

The Sunday School is now headed by Dr. Merl Morris with Ross Esplin and Vernon Blake assistants. Ross Wilson was released as Sunday School superintendent with a vote of thanks. Joanne White has been released as Junior Sunday School coordinator; Betty Jo Atkins was sustained in her place.

Sister Brown Released

Lucille Brown was released as Relief Society president and Mable Drushell was sustained as the new president. She retained Lavona Smith and Carrie Ferera as her counselors. Sister Drushel then had to be released as manual counselor in the YMMIA. Carolin Shaw has been sustained to this position.

Dale Cram is now acting as activity counselor in the YMMIA.

The Primary presidency was also reorganized. Marion McDonald is the new president with Lucille Gore and Olive Esplin as counselors.

Some changes were made also on all the auxilary teaching staffs. Many thanks to all those who have been released and good wishes to those recenty sustained.

On July 21 the Elders quorum sponsored a showing of the film "Brigham Young," as part of the observance of Pioneer Day.

Many New Members

Many new members have been received in our ward recently. We wish to welcome them and hope they will feel at home here.

The Primary gave a very successful Sunday evening program August 3.

Caryl Jacobs is now touring Europe with the BYU. She plans to see Elder Art Daniels, who we will remember as a frequent visitor in our ward.

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Oakland Fourth.

Ward Auxiliary Changes Made

By Arlene Woods

Isabell Johnson has been sustained as Primary president following the release of Lynette Verhaaren. Floyd McAllister, and Erva Wilson are the counselors.

Jeanne Bramwell is new activity counselor in the YLMIA and her sister, Bonnie, the new dance director.

Diane Whiffen, Sunday School secretary, has been released and Wynne Sorenson, who was Junior Sunday School secretary, is taking her place. The new Junior Sunday School secretary is Eleanor Matheson.

Sister Thora Bramwell is serving as Relief Society secretary.

Ralph Lauper, who has moved to Sacramento with his family, has been released as Aaronic Priesthood secretary for Senior members. Edward Kingsford is new secretary.

Released with a vote of thanks in the deacons' quorum of the Aaronic Priesthood under 21, are Leland Wright, Jr., president; Marc Lauper, and Richard Wood, counselors and Steven Martin, secretary. Leland has been ordained a teacher.

New officers are Marc Lauper, president with Richard Wood, and Robert Castle, as counselors, and James Lamph, secretary.

We welcome the Forest (Frosty) Poore family who have been away for awhile. . .Our loss is Alameda Ward's gain, for the Henry Whiffen family has moved there.

We are happy to have the BYU crowd home for the summer: Bonnie and Jeanne Bramwell, Pat Fortini, Richard Finch, Henry Whiffen, Jr., Nelson Reed, Sid Judson and Keith Stevens.

Sister Margaret Brothers is again with us and mending slowly after a serious operation.

The '56 Mormon

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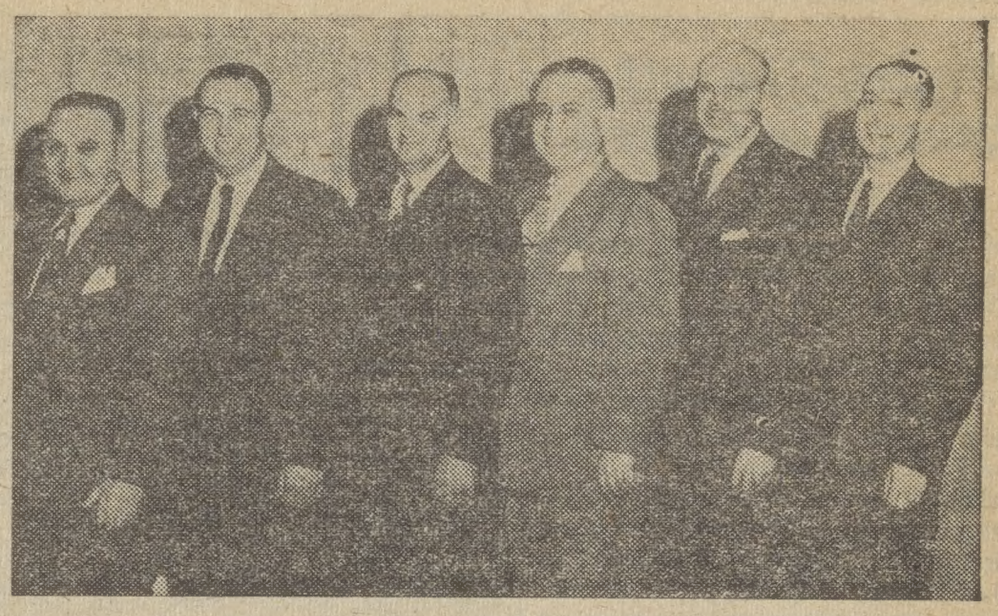
caravan passed thru Las Vegas and Colton on the way to Los Angeles where, on July 4, 1956 they took part in the 110th anniversary celebration of the raising of the flag at Fort Moore by the Mormon Battalion, July 14, 1846.

Leaving Los Angeles July 5, the caravan visited Santa Cruz, San Francisco, Sutters Fort in Sacramento, Donner's Monument, Virginia City, Carson City and Elko, and arrived in Salt Lake City July 9.

A stork shower was held in the home of Betty Jo Atkins for Joanne White recently.



ALAMEDA WARD'S SIX BISHOPS
SHOWN ABOVE ARE the six bishops who have led Alameda Ward from its beginning. Left to right in order of time of service are Leo Crandell, Wendell M. Jensen, John G. Rooks, Thys Winkel, Francis B. Winkel and Arnold B. Bangerter who is the bishop.

Alameda Ward

Alameda Ward's Interesting History Under Bishop Arnold Bangerter Told

By Amelia Everett

Arnold B. Bangerter became bishop Aug. 19, 1951, the day Francis Winkel and counselors Alvin Barlow and Donald Hughes were released. The same counselors were retained.

Jan. 13, 1952 Alvin Barlow and Donald Hughes were released, and J. Newell Christensen and J. Reed Schow were appointed as counselors.

First Funeral

The first funeral in Alameda's new chapel was that of William F. Everett, 72, held Dec. 6, 1952. A diligent worker in Alameda since the first Sunday School was organized, he was in the branch presidency for seven years before the stake was organized in 1927. Then for the next seven years he served as a high councilman in San Francisco Stake. He put in full-time working on the Oakland Third., the Berkeley and the Alameda chapels.

Elder Everett had come to the East Bay in 1918; he was continually in church attendance to the week he died.

The new chapel attracted wedding parties, the first being nonmormons. Bishop Thys Winkel performed five such ceremonies in four weeks. Perhaps our own young folks were too busy with chapel building; or better still, they found their way to a Temple.

Missionaries

Reta Blackburn was the first missionary sent by this new bishopric, her farewell being held Wed. June 10, 1953. Her mission was served in South Africa.

The next missionary Duane Hunt who now is in the Hawaiian Mission, had his farewell Aug. 16, 1955.

Allan Hunt, brother of Duane, left less than three months after for a Urugayan Mission. His testimonial was held Nov. 14, 1955. At the farewell party, Allan said Bishop Bangerter had called him many times by tlephone at 6 a.m. to get him out ot priesthood meetings. He was grateful for this urging that stirred him to action, resulting in his call to a mission.

Arnold B. Bangerter was one of the first to practice what has become organized as stake missionary activity. In the 34th. Ward, S.L.C., he and his companions, after three years visiting members of the 70's quorum, began to visit nonmembers. The plan worked and has spread over the church.

Also, Brother Bangerter organized in the 34th Ward what is now known as the senior Aaronic priesthood group. Bishop Glad of the 28th Ward had just originated the idea.

They wrote their own outlines, gathered up their own boys each week and visited all members long before the Church adopted their plan.

Another First

The first "This is Your Life" program in the ward was given for Hazel Bangerter because so many persons had been helped by her that they just had to do something. So verses were written, presents and flowers were taken and our bishop's wife was surprised Nov. 12, 1954 with an unusual shower of orchids of appreciation.

Nov. 1952 Bishp Bangerter reported 48 baptisms and 40 children blessed during his first year as bishop.

The ward population was 684 on Apr. 15, 1953, an increase of 305 during the past four years. Population June 1956 was about 650.

Counselors Change

J. Newell Christensen and J. Read Schow were released Mar. 20, and Rollin Smith and Wayne E. Lambourne were sustained as bishop's counselors the same day. July 1955 Floyd Severson was released and Max Robinson was made ward clerk. Max Robinson was released Dec. 1955 and Dan Harrison was sustained as ward clerk. (to be continued in September issue)

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Jewish Convert Story Concluded

(Concluded from July issue)

Note: Omitted in error at end of the first installment in July was the statement, "To be continued." Sorry, because the story seemed to end negatively. Now read the truth of the matter:

"However, I didn't feel right about that, and soon realized that what I was doing was trying to dictate terms to the Lord rather than accept Him as the scriptures indicated. Apparently what the Lord requires is complete surrender to Him evidenced by baptism into His Kingdom in the earth, performed by those who have authority to do so. I was satisfied that the Mormon Church was the only Church that had the gospel and the authority from God to perform that ordinance. The Mormon Church, of course, claims to have received these by direct visitations from the heavens as in biblical times. It was also of interest to me that the members of the Mormon Church claim to be descendants of the Israelites of old.

"After a great deal of prayer and what I suppose is called 'soul searching' I finally applied for baptism into the Mormon Church, feeling definitely that it was the only right thing I could do. I thought my former life was happy, and I'm sure it was. But as I've tried to serve the Lord, a deep and abiding joy has come into my life that makes what I once thought was happiness seem pale indeed.

"I've never regretted the step I took, but have been most grateful to the Lord that He has me the testimony and the strength to make the step.

"I sincerely hope the above few thoughts and comments will be of value in helping some to bring the sweet joy of the gospel into their lives as it has come into mine."

Sincerely your brother,
Lerome Horowity (signed)

Lillian Dagby, Eugenia Daniels Win Sweepstakes

At the county fair at Pleasanton, Lillian Dagley and Eugenia Daniels, both of Alameda Ward won many prizes in red, blue and white ribbon classes.

Eugenia Daniels won 127 points in fruit preservation, and a sweepstakes prizes in this classification, having 12 blue, 18 red and 13 white ribbons. Besides the above she won prizes on a pheasant feather hat, one wool hat, tatted handkerchief and a needle point chair seat and one crocheted hat. This is the third year Mrs. Daniels has won the canning sweepstakes against keen competition. She also won a prize on an antique book published in 1860.

Mrs. Dagley won many dollars in prizes, running a close second to Mrs. Daniels in number of ribbons. Last year she received a sack of sugar for the finest preserved fruit for the same reason. Congratulations to these two fine artists in cookery.

Lila Graham Passes

On July 18 in Oakland our dear sister and friend Lila Fays Graham passed on. She had lived for the past twenty-five years in Oakland, teaching in the Oakland Ward Relief Society, working as the Oakland Stake Society magazine director and county president of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers.

Lila was the wife of the late A. B. Graham, both of whom were outstanding real estate salesmen and brokers. Lila was so good at salesmanship that she consistently topped the real estate office force in sales where they worked.

Two sons, Richard G. and Ray, and three daughters, Mrs. Marilyn Lymangrover, Mrs. Myrth Wacker and Mrs. Helen Ruth Draglin and thirteen grandchildren survive her. Sister Graham had a cheerful, companionable spirit and was loved by all who knew her. Congratulations to her family on having such a fine mother. God bless and comfort them. Services were held July 21. Interment in Salt Lake City.

The W. W. Webbs Move to Livermore

Oakland high councilman Wilford W. Webb, former bishop and successful poultryman of Hayward, and his wife have sold their home and plant in Hayward and built a new home and poultry plant in Livermore.

The actual residential move will come next January, but the new coops and a family swimming pool are completed. Those who have seen the new location in Livermore speak highly of Elder Webb's extensive new poultry plant with the automatic feeders and other devices.

Walnut Creek Ward

Eleven Members Enroll at U. C. Dental College

Among the 25 freshman enrolled 1955-56 at the University of California Dental College in San Francisco eleven were Latter-day Saints.

Of these eleven Church members eight are married men. The three who are single are David A. Morris from Kanab, Utah, a returned missionary, Gilbert A Hatching Jr. from San Luis Obispo who spent two years at the B.Y.U. and Merrill Probst from Malad, Idaho, who has had two years pre-dental at "Cal."

Parks Air Force Celebrates Utah Pioneer Day

Pioneer Day, 1956, was observed by LDS servicemen at Parks Air Force base, Saturday, July 28, at the Parks Hospital Picnic area. Visitors from the East Bay area attended the special Pioneer Day celebration which included eats, loads of fun and games. Host stake is Oakland.

Al Heiner, Oakland Fifth ward, was special speaker for the Pioneer Day program. Last year, 325 boys attended, according to Thys Winkel of the Oakland Stake High Council, who points to the annual celebration as a means of becoming better acquained with personnel at the base, as well as honoring the pioneers who settled the Salt Lake valley.

Brother Robert Smith, an LDS chaplain at Parks Air Forse base, is doing an excellent work with our LDS boys at this location, advises Brother Winkel, adding, "he is recognized as a splendid, capable and efficient chaplain among all those within whom he associates."

An enquiring reporter stood on the street and asked:

"What was the most important event in history?"

The answers were varied from the busy people:

"The invention of the wheel."

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"The harnessing of steam."

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The Wesley Hunts Celebrate Their Golden Wedding

By Amelia Everett

Mr. and Mrs. William Wesley Hunt celebrated their Golden Wedding with open house at the home of their son, Clair, and wife, Norma, July 22. They were the first couple to be sealed in Los Angeles Temple, June 8, being also sealed to their son, Jarman and his wife Ida and a dead sister.

Bishop Arnold B. Bangerter was ordained a deacon 50 years ago July 17.

Eugenie Daniels won several prizes at the County Fair, again and Lillian Dagley won first sweepstakes in cake and cookies and 100 lbs. of sugar for her preserves.

The DUP Program

The Daughters of Utah Pioneers gave the Sunday evening program July first. Mildred Fontano, county president conducted and gave a talk on the handcart pioneers. Melva Rainey read a dramatic poem, and pioneer songs were sung.

Marlene Jensen and her fiance, Robert Hearther, were among the graduates at the University of California commencement.

Dorothy Eliason is new president of YWMIA with Vera Soots and Marjory Sutton counselors. Released with thanks were President Margaret Liebhart, Vera Soots and Gaylene Vincent.

The Mutual enjoyed an outing with refreshments at Washington Park June 10, as one of their summer activities.

Reta Blackburn expects to leave us again, tho she just recently returned from a six-months visit with a sister.

Ethel Larson has grand children Terra and Sandy Meshetti visiting from Ukiah.

Violet Pinckney is new secretary of the genealogy class. Fae Johnson was released with thanks.

Children Blessed: LaMoine Francis Marsh, Michael Lee Marsh and Charles Roy Marsh.

GOING ABROAD

Caroline Durham, who left for New York to attend Columbia University's summer term, will sail Aug. 26, for Tehran, Iran (Persia) where she is to teach English in a private school.

LYMON, Elsie and Joyce Fonoimoana have a contract to dance at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco for a month.

Secty Benson Says Forget Materialism

"Americans need to forget the materialism of this world," said Taft Benson in Logan, Utah, July 4, 1956, "and develop some of the old fashioned virtues."

Some of these virtues he listed: the dignity of work; the supreme worth of the individual; the impossibility of strengthening the weak by weakening the strong; that one cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independency: that love is the greatest force in the world; that there is an all-wise and all-loving God, and that man's highest fulfillment, greatest happiness and widest usefulness are to be found in living in harmony with his divine will.

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Oakland Fourth.

Nine Jr. Gleaners Hold Ceremony of Sheaf-Binding

By Arlene Woods

Oakland Fourth Ward junior gleaners held, for their second year, the sheaf-binding ceremony, July 7, in the Relief Society room of the new chapel

The bishopric, Janice Dent (past junior gleaner Stake leader) and parents of the girls were present.

The ceremony, prettily presented by the girls (all of whom will soon receive their individual awards) consisted of:

Opening prayer, Naoma Johnson; piano solo, Joanne Bybee; welcome, Mary Dunn, junior gleaner leader for the ward; junior gleaner symbolism by Vicki Martin; story of Ruth by Janae Bodily; song, junior gleaner class; Gleaner Sheaf, Diana Whiffen, Eleanor Matheson, Joanne Bybee, Cecil Henderson, Arlene Woods; binding the sheaf, Mary Dunn; response, Bishop Curtis R. Bybee; duet, Cecil Henderson and Vicki Martin, accompanied by Gladys Olson; closing prayer, Wynne Sorenson.

Refreshments were served.

Herbert A. Van Noy was appointed chairman of district I at the Liahona Club dinner meeting July 23 at the Robin Hood on Grand Ave., Oakland.

The major discussion of the evening, with President Dale Roe presiding and A. D. Erickson leading, centered on possible cooperative terms under which the Liahona campsite night become the regional MIA camping center.

A letter ws read from President John A. Murdock of Santa Rosa Stake representing a committee of the region's stake presidents asking for a club representative to meet his committee at the Liahona Lodge soon for preliminary discussions of possible terms. A. D. Erickson was appointed for this purpose.

The plan favored by the club was one by which the stakes would take over and develop as they saw fit the ten acres of level grounds, and the club do likewise with the five acres which includes the Lodge, both groups cooperating for mutual use of both areas' facilities as feasible.

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Dr. William Mulder Wins Koontz Award For Mormon Study

A Latter-day Saint writer who is rising among us is Dr. William Mulder, an asst. prof. of English at the University of Utah and also managing editor of the Western Humanities review.

In 1954 he won the Koontz award for his article in the "History of Mormon Migration from Scandinavia," and in 1948 he was given a trip to Scandinavia for his essay on "Ola Lilgenquist and his Cooperative City," a story of a Mormon bishop and his community.

HAWAIIAN ENTERTAINERS WHO WILL BE FEATURED IN "HAWAII IN SAN FRANCISCO
A get-together Saturday, August 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the San Francisco Ward chapel and recreation hall on Hayes Street.
Left to right, hula dancers, July Naumu and Margaret Adachi. Group, left to right, Bob Denning, Violet Lua, Bro. Lua, Grent Grahm, Aaron Hakaiwi, Archi Hakaiwi, Sugi, Betty Jean Lee Keith Price, Dave Tew, Clarence Lau, Ron Fraiser.

Christ— My Gnealogical Director

By Josephine E. Squires, Mission Ward

For many years I have related the following testimonial of my faith in the works of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints:

In the year 1893 I had a dream that I was attending an evening service called the "Rosary", at the Roman Catholic Jesuit Church on Hayes Street, San Francisco.

About half-way through the service I heard one of the large doors opening. The hinges creaked loudly, causing me to raise my head from prayer and look back to see who was coming in so late.

I was motionless. I saw Christ coming in through the door. He was dressed in a white, wool robe. He came in past a section of six pews, and beckoned three times. I looked around to see to whom he was coming, and not a single person had raised a head.

I looked back again, and Jesus beckoned again, and started to walk towards the side entrance of the church which led to the priest's house.

I arose from the pew, and followed Christ out through the side door, and down the broad steps to the college yard below. Then a high white pulpit arose from the ground with a flight of stairs with a metal rail on the right side.

Christ then ascended to the platform above, and turned facing the West. He spread out his hands, and made an upward movement, with them, and the empty college yard was filled with a mass of faces, all turned up to listen to what Christ was saying to them.

These people were packed so tight that all I could see was their faces and shoulders. After a few minutes, Christ blessed them and turned towards the stair to descend.

I stood back against the railing to let him pass me, and then followed him down to the ground. He went up three steps towards the platform between the church and the priest's house, and vanished from my sight.

I did not understand the full meaning of the dream until I became interested in genealogical work for my family. It was then that I fully realized that Christ had led me out of the Roman Catholic Church, and up the stairway to show me the blessed work I had to do for my ancestors. All of my mother's people had been devout Catholics.

When therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John.

Redwood City Ward

Reception Follows Curtis Knights' Temple Marriage

By Gay Taylor

A reception on July 7 at the home of the bride's parents in Freeport, Illinois, honored Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Allen Knight of the Redwood City ward, who were married June 15 in the Salt Lake Temple.

The bride, the former Carol Lou Bamberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bamberg, is a student at the School of Nursing, Brigham Young University.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Ida Knight, 373 2nd Ave, Redwood City. He graduated as an honor student at the College of San Mateo and spent three yars in the Air Force, becoming asistant band leader and later graduating from the Air Force Band School at Washington, D.C. For the past year he has attended the LDS Business College at Salt Lake City, studying accounting. The couple plans to live in Utah while completing their training.

Sunset Ward

Jr. High Schools Honor Warders

By Sister Oreti Aaron

Of a graduating cass of 364 at the A. P. Giannini Junior high school, Linda Johnson received the American Legion Certificate of Distinguished Achievement. She is also outstanding in her musical ability.

Gary Spratling, an active teacher in the Aaronic Priesthood, received the highest award based on leadership, scholarship, and citizenship out of a class of over 300 graduating students at Aptos Junior High School. He also obtained all sports and service awards possible during his three years there and graduated with a straight 'A' final.

Mark your calendars for Tuesday evenings during August as there will be a series of social events for one and all, plus a Saturday outing with congenia friends.

A tour of the San Francisco Opera House which was made by 34 members of the Relief Society recently. Another is planned for the fall.

In the spirit of the early pioneers we held our Annual Primary Pioneer Parade on July 25.

Martin was recently ordained a deacon; Frank W. Clark sustained as first counselor in the teachers Quorum. Recent confirmations: Melissa Lynn Aaron, Janice Fern Banks, Elliott Charles Hawke, and Myrtle Laird Sheffield.

SUNSET WARD

Summer Socials To Be Held On Tuesday Nights

By Oreti E. Aaron

(This report came just too late for the July issue.)

Mark your calendars for Tuesday evenings during August as a series of social events will continue for one and all. These include a swimming, parties, and skating.

Another annual potluck social was enjoyed by ward Primary officers, teachers and partners.

At the Stake Preparation meeting in June special recognition was extended to our ward Primary officers and teachers for their attendance for the past six months.

The recent tour of the San Francisco Opera House, made by 34 members of our Relief Society, was such success that another is planned for the fall.

In response to a special invitation a number of men were present at the regular priesthood meeting Sunday morning, June 17th, to lay the foundation work for an effective senior Aaronic members program.

Congratulations to Martin W. Heppel who was recently ordained a deacon and to Melissa Lynn Aaron who was baptized and confirmed in June.

Of a graduating class of 364 at the A. P. Giannini Jr. High School, Linda Johnson received the American Legion Certificate in recognition of the high qualities of honor, courage, scholarship, leadership, and service. She also excells in her musical ability.

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President McKay Praises Poetry By Ada Wiseman

By Ada Wiseman

"The kindly spirit in which you express your appreciation in these verses for your friends and other good influences," wrote Pres. David O. McKay to Mrs. Ada Wiseman, March 19, 1956, "enriches you and also blesses others."

Sunday morning, June 17, the foundation work was laid for an effective Senior Aaronic program. The members were happy with the announcement that George W. Aaron will be their new instructor.

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GAY WILLIAMS
Gay Wililams, Redwood City Ward, essay contest award winner, wearing award medal.
Photo from Gay Taylor, Redwood City

Redwood City Ward

Gay Williams Wins City Essay Contest

Twelve-year-old Gay Williams of the Redwood City Ward won first prize for sixth graders of the Redwood City school district in a national essay contest sponsored by the American Legion.

Title of Gay's essay was "The Care and Use of Our Country's Flag." The award, consisting of a medal, was for having the best composition for her class in the seven schools of the district.

The budding essayist is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Williams, 3097 Page Street, Redwood City.

Palo Alto Stake Bishop Surprises In Vocation Shift

Few bishops have surprised their ward members more than Bishop Thomas J. Curtis did when recently he made a change in his life pattern.

Known for many years as a highly skilled and trained engineer in the field of electronics with large established companies, "Tom" astonished all his friends when he announced his leaving that challenging field and launching out in the great competitive selling arena of life insurance.

It seemed as unexpected to many as if an airplane on its regularly scheduled direct route to New York from San Francisco suddenly turned at Chicago and headed for New Orleans. But human life is full of surprises. That helps to keep it interesting, perhaps.

So now, kind friends of the kindly bishop of San Bruno, we'll all be listening for good vocational news of Elder Curtis from the offices of the New York Life Insurance in San Mateo, rather than from the usual San Bruno industrial electronics plant.

Cannery Produces 1466 Cans "Cots" For Welfare

By Gay Taylor

Redwood City ward began its welfare canning of the season July 10, with a total of 1,466 cans of apricots being produced for the evening's work at the Palo Alto Stake cannery.

Under the direction of Eldro Snowden, 57 ward members contributed 133 man-hours of labor to the project. Yet they fell short of the quota of 1,600 cans and for the best of reasons—they ran out of ripe apricots.

DUTY TO GOD AWARDS, SAN FRANCISCO STAKE
. . . Donald Edward Kolb recently received the first Duty to God Award in Mission Ward. Shown above left to right are Vinal Lefter, bishop's counselor, Pres. Wallace N. Allred of S.F. stake presidency, Bishop Joseph Harper, Sister Tawannee Kolb and Donald Edward Kolb.

Career Women in San Francisco Stake

By Mabel B. Liddell
(Concluded from July)

Professional Musicians

Among the charming professional musicians Sister Leila Kennelly of Sunset Ward generously gives of her time playing for the veterans in hospitals where she has been told that her music has been of great benefit to the patients, particularly in the psychopathic wards. She has had wide experience in the entertainment field in playing both piano and pipe organ in theatres and for soldiers in World War II. She teaches both piano and pipe organ.

Sister Lucille Blake, organist for Sunset Ward, has taught piano and organ in San Francisco for a number of years; in fact, ever since she was a child, she says, and is presenting twenty-two of her talented students in recital in Sunset Ward Chapel this month. Lucile has won wide recognition for her great skill as an organist. She plays professionally at weddings, directs music at other churches and is organist at several mortuaries.

Sister Lorraine Evans, organist at San Rafael Ward, is a successful and charming teacher of voice, piano and organ in Marin County.

Cake Decorator

Sister Nettie Clark of Sunset Ward is truly an artist in cake decoration. Her picture cakes have attracted unusual comment and praise for their originality and clever detail. One made recently for her young daughter's school party was created in exact repilca of Robert Louis Stevenson school, complete in detail even to windows, doors and cyclone fencing. She used fine cooky crumbs to duplicate the gravel roof and fine netting for the fence.

Often her decorations are too minute and artistic for ordinary cake decorating tools, so she turns to a set of artists brushes with special colored icings for a medium.

Mrs. C. W. Nalder is carrying on the business of her late husband as funeral advisor at Gantner, Felder and Kenny Mortuary. While this business is a bit unusual for a woman, Sister Nalder finds it a great opportunity to be of service, especially in counseling those who are bewildered and alone. She gives advice in travel, finance, clothing and arranging business affairs. Because of her own recent experience she feels it a privilege to give understanding comfort to those in need.

A Home Away From Home

Sister Esther Cammerer of Mission Ward has opened her own large home to make a 'home away from home' to those young people who are attending college or working here in the city. She loves this work and finds it not only a source of income but of intense satisfaction to be of service to the young people in her care. Her home has been the beautiful setting for a number of home weddings and receptions for young people in her ward.

One remarkable lady who put her hobby to work when the necessity arose to earn a living is Sister Reba Sewell of Balboa Ward. She is a natural artist with flowers, and for eighteen years has made a living for her family of four by making flower arrangements for all occasions; weddings, parties, table decorations, funerals, corsages. She does a great deal of her work in her own home and now in her spare time is writing lyrics for an operetta to be presented in the stake. She is collaberating in this project with Lucas Politis of Mission Ward.

There are many husband and wife teams in business; many nurses, waitresses, clerks, stenographers and telephone operators, all serving primarily as fine Latter-day Saint women, giving service to their fellowmen. Many of these are mothers who are earning the total family income—holding dual responsibility in their homes as well as that of their profession. Could anyone deserve greater credit or appreciation? Many of these women are filling important positions in their wards also.

Berkeley Ward.

Anna Patton Wins Short Story S. U. P. Contest

Anna Leone Davis Patton, Berkeley Stake historian, has recently been named winner of a gold medal by the Sons of the Utah Pioneers for her short story, "My Grandmother's Hope Chest."

The real-life story of a pioneer lady will be read July 27 at the annual encampment of the S.U.P. at Logan, Utah. Sister Patton was not able to accept an invitation to be present to read the story.

This second-place winning western narrative fom Mrs. Patton's pen will be published in the S.U.P. series of brochures this summer. Its length, it is said, is between 1200 and 1500 words.

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San Francisco Stake Calendar

2	Thu	7:00 p.m.	Stake Melchizedek Pr. & Sr. Aaronic Pr. Committees
4	Sat	7:00 p.m.	Baptismal Service at Stake House
6	Mon	10:00 a.m.	Stake Primary Prep'n. meeting
16	Thu	7:00 p.m.	Stake Melchizedek Pr. Committee
		7:45 p.m.	Heads of Auxiliary Organizations, Stake Pres. & High Council
19	Sun	2:30 p.m.	Ward and Stake Welfare Committees
20	Mon	7:00 p.m.	Stake Presidency & Stake Aaronic Pr. Committee
		7:45 p.m.	MONTHLY STAKE PRIESTHOOD COMMITTEE
26	Sun		High Council visits to all Wards
27	Mon	7:30 p.m.	Stake MIA Leadership meeting

AUG. 1956—Social Events:
2nd 3rd and 4th: Divisional Soft Ball Play-offs. (Location to be announced)
11 Sat M-Men—Gleaner Outing at Russian River, followed in evenig by Stake Dance at Stake House
13th to 18th:—S.F. Stake Girls Camp
18 Sat. Junior M-Men—Jr. Gleaner Outing at Russian River.
21 Tue Explorer—MiaMaid "Summeree"
29th & 30th: Stake Operetta
28 Tue. M-Men—Gleaner Stake Election Night

San Francisco Ward Calls Members To "Hawaii In San Francisco"

A full-course dinner coupled with Hawaiian entertainment is the menu at San Francisco Ward. The bishopric, in conjunction with the ward officers and teachers, are sparing no expense, time, or effort to make this the event of the year.

The event, which is to take place at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, August 18, was planned to accommodate the renewal of old friendships and the making of new friendships in an enjoyable atmosphere of good food and entertainment in Hawaiian style.

Profits derived from the dinner will be donated toward the building of the stake recreation center. For information concerning tickets to "Hawaii in San Francisco", call Marian Bench at KL-2-2192.

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Ward Teaching Continues 80% or Better

The Palo Alto Stake ward teaching record for May averaged 80 per cent, a figure reached now for the fifth month or exceeded. Stake percentages have been: January 84, February 84, March 83, April 85, and May 80.

High ward percentages were: San Mateo Second 96, Santa Carlos 95, Redwood City 90, Menlo Park 82 ,Sunnyvale 82, Burlingame 80, and Sharp Park Branch 96. ,

Paul Said

Giving In Spirit Makes Richness Of Life

Man, truly acumulates, not in the things he seems to accumulates and use for himself, but in the altruistric things he sets his heart upon and fosters with the free giving of his time, thought, and his means.

Paul put it this way:

"He that soweth sparingly, shall reap also sparingly; and he that soweth bountifully, shall reap also bountifully.

"Every man according as he purposes in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver." (II Cor. 9:6,7.).

Five Lectures On LDS Music

By Dr. Gates

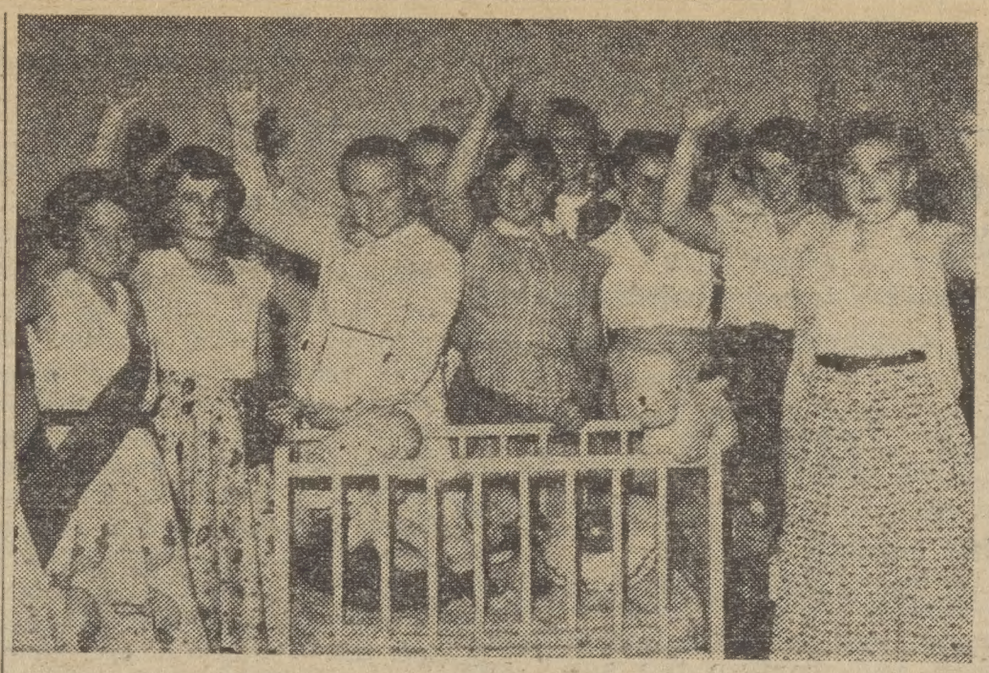
Dr. Crawford Gates, BYU faculty member and one of the outstanding young musicians in the West, will be featured in five weekly lectures beginning July in the "Know Your Religion" series at Barratt Hall, Salt Lake City. Dr. Gates, reared in Palo Alto Stake, is a son-in-law to Pres. and Mrs. Serge Lauper of S. F. Stake.

First lecture in the series, which is being sponsored by the BYU Extension Division, was scheduled for July 20 night at 8 p.m., on "Music in Previous Dispensations."

Subjects to follow will be two sections on "Music in the Restored Church," "Improvement of LDS Congregational and Choir Singing," and "The Spiritual Application of Latter-day Saint Music."

Each lecture will be followed by a half hour question period.

Dr. Gates is well known in music circles throughout the West, His experience in composition and conducting is extensive, and his reputation in the field of music parallels his ability as a colorful and dynamic speaker.



GOODBYE TO BABY-SITTING. NINE GIRLS OF THE REDWOOD CITY

. . . These happy MIA girls wave goodbye to the nursery as they prepare to leave for a well-earned vacation at Camp Liahona. Under the direction of Activity Counselor Rose Parker, the girls formed a baby-sitting pool, put on a ward talent night and sold baked goods to finance the trip to summer camp. They are (l to r), Connie Parker, Gay Wiliams, Sara Taylor, Francis Judd, Carol Turman, Winnie Varney, Midge Scoffield, Judy Alsop and Marilyn Rollins.

Photo from Gay Taylor, Redwood City

Family Reading Hour Plants Memories

. . . What happy memories linger of the lovely inflorence when father, mother and children hear, read stories from scripture, current-day histories of the Church and other good books.

A Wyoming Lad Now Palo Alto High Councilor

The following "Vignette" is clipped with apologies from the "Quorumette," organ of the Palo Alto high priest quorium, edited by Stanley S. Gibb. The biography seems to justify a wider circulation.

William A. Osmond: was born December 23, 1907 at Afton, Wyoming, where he spent his boyhood on a farm. Moved to Oregon as lad and then to Ogden, Utah a few years later, where he completed high school work. He was selected to be one of two school students from the State to go to Scandanvia for the summer as a guest of the civic clubs there.

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Television has a lot of first-grade comedy in it—the trouble is, most of the audience has gone beyond the first grade.

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Met and married Jennett Steenblik of Salt Lake City in the Salt Lake Temple. They will celebrate their 25th anniversary this coming September 11th. "Bill" and Jennett have two daughters: Lynn, just out of college, and Janna, just out of grade school.

The Osmonds moved to California in 1935 to allow Bill to join M. L. Snyder & Son, Inc., (Industrial Rubber) with whom he now has charge of sales for the Western States and Hawaii.

His Church record indicates he has been active in Aaronic and Melchizedek Priesthood work. Was ordained a high priest about thirteen years ago to become a member of the High Council under President Claude B. Peterson. Has served as Assistant Scout Master, M.-I.A. Superintendent, Sunday School Superintendent and Ward Teacher. Has been senior High Councilman in the Palo Alto Stake since the Stake was organized.

Hobbies: used to be hunting (mad passion for ducks) fishing (dry fly purist), painting, reading . . . . but now necessarily settled for gardening, and Ward Teaching.

Quorumette Quote: "The price of greatness is responsibility."

More Details Aaronic Boys Safari to L. A.

Altho the report of the June 18-21 excursion of 151 priests, teachers, and deacons from Palo Alto's ten wards and one branch came to the Messenger just a few days too late for our July issue, we feel it desirable to record a few details as furnished by stake Messenger reporter Stanley S. Gibb.

Farewelled by Pres. Haight, the boys left Monday at 7:45 a.m. and arrived at the Santa Ana Ward chapel that evening a 7:45 p.m., slept in their bed rolls on the recreation hall floor after a delicious dinner served by Sister Brockbank and Patterson of the Santa Ana Ward.

Tuesday took the boys to the Temple after a nourishing breakfast prepared by Ruth Bentley (San Mateo Second), Vida Peterson (Burlingame), and the sisters above mentioned.

Groups of 25 were conducted thru the baptistry chapel and around the font to experience the calm, reverent atmosphere of the house of the Lord.

Then an afternoon a Knotts Berry Farm, finishing with a hot Pioneer Style dinner in the Farm's steak house.

Wednesday saw the 151 happy boys "on their own" until 9:30 p.m. at Disneyland with a book of coupons.

Thursday brought the rather weary, sleepy boys home to waiting parents at the Redwood Chapel.

Everywhere the group won praises for good behavior and happiness. This was capped when the bus drivers declared, "The best controlled and organized group we've ever driven."

Credit goes chiefly to William L. Stoker, chairman of the stake Aaronic priesthood committee, to Stanley S. Gibb, committee member and to Dr. Robert Brockbank, of the Orange County high council. Counsellors to the boys were Brothers Gibb, Lewis Ranch, Gerrald B. Williams who with Bro. Stoker were responsible, each for one of four busses.

Results of this award trip shows in increased activity of the boys from last December to last May. Percentage of attendance at priesthood meetings rose from 53 to 65, and the attendance at sacrament services stepped up from 46% to 61% in May.

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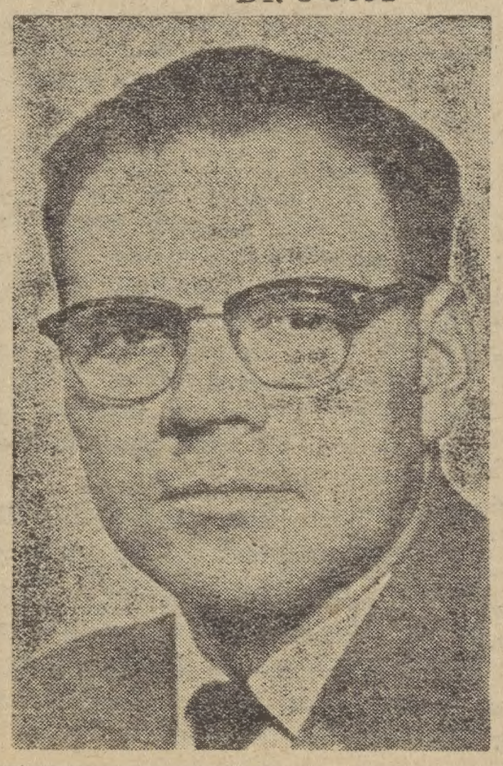

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"Behold I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek shall suddenly come to his temple."
—Malachi 3:1.

Let's Feast On The Majesty Of It All As We Go

"You may kill me now", said a traveler while overlooking Bryce Canyon in Utah's wonderland, "for I have seen all."

Editorial

When we first heard those strange words we were shocked; but later we reflected, "Well, at least, that man felt the thrill of grandeur though he expressed it rather crudely."

Vacation time is upon us. Let's feast upon the majesty of nature as we go.

"I'd rather be a heathen and worship the sun," said Emerson, "than be one to stand unmoved amid natures handiwork." Those aren't Emerson's exact words, but they are his sentiments, and they're ours, a hundred. fold.

Have you ever stood with the other visitors in Yosemite while the eye fell on the breath-taking view from Glacier Point? Or stood of an evening on the valley floor and watched fire fall's red coals stream downward from high Glacier Point? Or drunk of that still nobler sweep of majesty, the vast Grand Canyon from Bright Angel Point?

Speaking personally, a vast Wasatch mountain meadow of seemingly endless extent, crowed with untold myraids of nodding, smiling, modest columbines still flashes upon the inward eye of solitude as did Wardsworth's daffodils that

"Stretched in never ending line,
Along the margin of the bay."

Give us to walk alone under great elm trees, (or any trees whatsoever), on a quiet summer evening, and feel their gentle, peaceful benediction fall on the heart and speak calm to the soul! Or to view Sierra's forest trees on Liahona's campsite at midnight under a round moon and a clear sky. What divine witchery! Casting mystic spells over the human pilgrims!

Let's feast on the majesty of it all as we go, be it in forest or mountain, lake or river, ocean or plain; or even in city park or the home garden.

"All around and all above,
Have one message, God is love."

STARCH COLUMN

By Stanley Hesse D. C.

HEALTH is a blessing over which to rejoice; it is the essence of life few pay a price to keep, but when lost often pay all to have returned.

Answering the many questions asked by diet conscious people, I have this to say about starches. It seems organically grown, fresh, coarsely milled grains supersede the value of highly milled and refined grains.

They are filling, strengthening and above all improve the functioning of the body. Starchy foods, have the effect of giving energy plus some amount of construction to the body.

The very life of the pioneer men and women greatly depended upon the utilization of grain foods, plus the protein of captured or domestic animals.

Many of the pioneers owned hand-operated mills which processed their grain foods. This method, unbeknown to them, was probably the greatest asset they possessed.

It had no ability to separate the several parts of which grains are made. Therefore all parts of the kernels were ground and put into one container, to be used thus in the most natural and vital way nature had intended.

Here again man was able to utilize the greatest value from the food he consumed, because it was freshly milled, and quickly used.

Once whole grain is put thru the mill it is susceptible to spoilage and pest consumption. All foods that are vitally alive and of good quality will spoil quickly once they are harvested, because they possess natural qualities to start the age old process of decomposition.

Perishable food must be consumed in the ripened state and in season, if the body is to get the greatest strength from its use

Grains are natures gift to health. They not only furnish a great number of starch products, they also furnish a good portion of protein, a fair ration of fat, a reasonable amount of minerals, a great number of vitamins, and a very small amount of water. Logically speaking, for man's best health he must use food in the fresh state, in the most natural ripened form possible to obtain, and that comes from vitally rich soils.

Highly refined dry starch will give energy and tend to put on extra pounds, whereas coarsely ground grains that possess the best of quality, if not over consumed in too highly a seasoned state, will bring health and comfort to the body and not tend to put on unsightly pounds.

GREAT PAGEANT

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Moroni.

Scene 5—Cumorah: Joseph, Moroni.

Scene 6—Banks of the Susquehannah: Joseph, Oliver, John the Baptist, Peter, James, and John.

Scene 7—The Whitmer Home: Joseph, Oliver, Peter and David Whitmer, Joseph Sr. and Hyrum Smith, Emma and Lucy Mack Smith.

Scene 8—Kirtland Temple: The Savior, Moses, Elias, Elijah, Joseph Smith, Oliver Cowdery.

Scene 9—Liberty Jail, Missouri: Joseph, the jailer.

Scene 10—Nauvoo: Emma and Joseph and Joseph II, Brigham Young, Wilford Woodruff, Parley P. Pratt, townspeople.

Scene 11—The Martyrdom: Joseph,, Hyrum, John Taylor, Willard Richards.

Scene 12—Prophetic Dispensations: Adam, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Peter and Joseph.

The audience felt that no praise could be too high for the excellency of the spoken word, the music by choir and violins and the secenery, the acting and the costumes.

The Bay Area Browser

By Ray Rackley

I don't know whether the story about Columbus and the egg is fact or fiction but the moral that a difficult problem can be solved with relative ease when someone shows you how is undoubtedly valid. For that reason a new book, **Home Memories of President David O. McKay, by his son, Llewelyn R. McKay, Deseret Book Company, $3.75,** should prove valuable to any modern household troubled by the frictions of our anxious, high-geared age. The gentleness, kindness and intelligent planning which characterized the early home-life of David O. McKay, farmer, missionary and teacher, have been more than justified by the successful, happy lives of his children and grandchildren.

Messenger readers down in Palo Alto might remember the author, Llewelyn, and his wife, Alice. They lived out here while he was earning a Ph.D. in modern European languages at Stanford.

The book begins with a sketch of the early years of President McKay—the farm in Huntsville, schooling, the call to the apostleship at the age of thirty-two. This is followed by the diary of his trip around the world, a trip in which he visited every mission of the Church except that of South Africa. Anyone who has ever been seasick will appreciate the charm and humor of this account.

A third section, **Stories and Quotations,** reveals the President's sensitive love for animals. Selections from his talks contain, among other items, a highly instructive note on the relation of negroes to the Church and on their role in the pre-existence.

I dropped in on Llewelyn when I was in Salt Lake last month for June conference. He is now the head of the Department of Modern Languages at the University of Utah and appears both well and happy. He informed me that his son, Dick ("Dickie" to the old-timers around Palo Alto), is just completing dental school. "Backward, turn backward. . ."

I finished last week a small book that I'd have given a great deal to possess several years ago when my brother was trying to give up smoking. It's called **The Nutritional Way to Stop Smoking, by J. I. Rodale, Rodale Books, Inc., $1.00.**

The author's thesis is really quite simple. A man smokes because his body contains poisons—residues built up and maintained by continued use of tobacco—which create in many cases an almost uncontrollable desire for more cigarettes. To stop smoking while these poisons are in the body. especially in view of the questionable health that many Americans have, requires, according to the doctor, an almost super-human will. His program is therefore two-fold. First, get rid of the poisons; second, build up the smoker physically so that he'll have the health to quit. Massive doses of vitamin C have proved of great help.

This book is the most intelligent approach to the smoking problem that I have yet encountered.

The author is not a member of the Church but the close parallel between his recommendations and the positive side of the Word of Wisdom reveals in him a valuable ally.

Did you know that Richard L. Evans was only twenty-four when he began his weekly **sermonettes** on the Tabernacle choir broadcast? I didn't until I read the jacket of his latest book, **From the Crossroads, by Richard L. Evans, Harper and Brothers, $2.75.**

I'd like to find some of those early talks. It would be interesting tosee to what degree they reflect the maturity of the essays in this new publication, a maturity developed through almost three decades of intense Church activity.

It would also be interesting to trace the evolution of his style, for it is very possibly just that style which will allow a future generation to appreciate Evans. Ideas are common; many in the Church have concepts equally as edifying as those of Evans. He surpasses the others in that he is able to give his ideas an exquisite form.

This new book, therefore, will be highly appreciated by all our readers who are sensitive to the lovely forms through which a word-craftsman like Evans can express an idea. "And the spirit and the body are the soul. . ."

My Testimony

By Mabel B. Liddell

When July comes each year, our thoughts go back to 1847 and the valiant pioneers who were forced into the western wilderness because of their unshakabe conviction that the Church of Jesus Christ had been restored to earth.

Among these severed saints, we honor Herber C. Kimball. whose prophetic utterances we all quote, William Clayton, beloved composer of 'Come, Come Ye Saints' and Edward Partridge, first Bishop of the Church, who died before the memorabe journey west. All were associates of the Prophet Joseph Smith. We read and re-read their testimonies and inspire our youth with their stories. But on this Pioneer Day, I choose to honor their grand-daughter. Yes, a descendent of all three, Alta Kimball Hammer.

With a heritage like that, I wanted to hear her testimony. This is what she tod me: "I have never for a moment, in all of my life, doubted that this was the true Church of Jesus Christ."

There was no sudden conviction in her life, just a deep, inherent faith that grew and grew with the year. She has felt that love of helping others has been her greatest gift and the source of her testimony.

When at the tender age of fifteen, it was necessary to quit school and assume management of her mother's home and six brothers and sisters, she felt no deprivation. She was happy to help her wonderful mother. Later when she worked as a clerk in ZCMI to assist with family finances, she felt it an educational opportunity to meet the many interesting tourists from all over the world.

"When I moved to San Francisco, I was called to be stake secretary in Relief Soviety. In this position I began to overcome timidity and fear of speaking in public. The first time I was called upon to pray in a meeting, I was so terrified I shock all over, but I made myself do it. And then I began to grow. I have served in many church capacities since that time, and every one has been a privilege.

"I have been a visiting teacher for twenty-nine years and have never missed going unless I was out of the city. In all of these visits there was only one door closed to us; and after three kindly calls that lady invited us into her home."

This cheerful sister makes the most artistic and colorful hand braided rugs I have ever seen. Over five hundred of them decorate homes in Utah and California. One particularly beautiful oval rug, eight by ten feet, is on display in Salt Lake City in the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Memorial Building. This skill, learned at her mother5s knee, has been the means of replenishing her income since her husband's death a little over a year ago.

Since she has no children her her husband's death was a mighty blows, but with the courage of a pioneer, she squared her shoulders and carried on. In a day or two thereafter, she was conducting a meeting for her group of the Doughters of Utah Pioneers and is always busy in a variety of church duties and kindnesses to others.

Each Thursday night she continues to go to the bowling league games where her husband was an enthusiastic participant. She doesn't bowl but is an ardent fan.

Her life is full and rich—she loves people and they love her. She feels that her cup runs over with choice blessings.

When a thoughtless friend criticized her one day for denying herself in order to pay tithing and fast offering, she retored, "Why I've paid my tithing all of my life, and I have been happier since being active in this Church than I've ever been in my whole life. I can't even count my blessings. It's no sacrifice."

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Meet A Patriarch of A Sister Stake

What do you look for in the person of a stake patriarch? If you look for too much physical frailty and grey hairs, you might be surprised to find a patriarch in the person of James M. Thomas, 72, a brown-haired, hale and hearty patriarch of San Joaquin Stake.

Here's a man's man. And quite obviously, also a boy's man, because he has been for twenty-four years friend and companion to boys committed to one of California's schools for delinquent youth.

Born in Plain City, Weber County Utah in 1884, educated at Weber Academy when David O. McKay was that school's president, Brother Thomas later became a rancher in the Teton Stake, Idaho and served as superintendent of the YMMIA there. In 1915 in married Theodora Ruegg, sister to the architect Theodore Ruegg.

Returning to Utah he was called by Dr. Ephraim G. Gowans, then head of the Juvenile School in Ogden, to be that school's foreman, serving ten years there.

Meeting California's Mr. Close in 1930, he accepted a position at Ione, California, in Amador County, San Joaquin Stake, in the Preston Industrial School.

There for twenty-four years (he retired in 1954) he served as friend and counselor to bewildered youth committed to that institution. He now carries an honor card signed by Governor Knight acknowledging that long period of devoted service to youth.

In the meantime, Elder Thomas, and Sister Thomas were consistently active in Church work. He was called in 1952 from a position on the San Joaquin high council to be one of the two patriarchs in that stake. The Thomases still live on their ranch at Ione.

Brother and Sister Thomas have four children: Ross G., a graduate of the Utah State College at Logan, Utah, and with a master's degree from the Washington State Agricultural College at Pullman, now is a successful dairyman in Idaho.

Ralph Thomas, the second son, and member of Berkeley First Ward, is a UC graduate and currently is assitant claims manager in the Oakland office of Blue Cross.

Joyce Thomas did nursing in Berkeley and Oakland, and now has moved to Germany where she went to marry Robert Anderson whom she met at the LDS Berkeley Institute and who taught school one year (1952-3) in Pittsburg.

Marie Thomas, the youngest child of Patriarch and Mrs. Thomas is now working in the Berkeley offices of State Farm Mutual and is a member of Berkeley First Ward.

Births

San Lorenzo: A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Nethercott, June 30.

Alameda: A girl, Joan Cynthia, was born June 20 to Clifford and Dorothy Brooke.

Alameda: A boy was born to Charles and Ruth Goodfellow on July 17.

Alameda: A girl (for a change) was born to Floyd and Frances Severson, formerly of Alameda, July 17.

Castro Valley: Kathy Ann Boyle welcomed to the Louis F. Boyle home in Castro Valley, June 2, 1956.

Obituaries

Walnut Creek: Our beloved brother, Bill Wakeman passed away, July 13. Funeral services were held at the Walnut Creek chapel, July 16. He is survived by his wife, Ester, and two sons, Jack and Bill, Jr.

Brother Wakeman supervised construction of the Walnut Creek-Pleasant Hills chapel, although he did not become a member of the Church until after completion of the chapel.

Alameda: Melvin G. Sorensen, a World War I veteran from Montpelier, Idaho, born December 9, 1894, died in Alameda and was buried June 27, at San Bruno. Bishop Arnold B. Bangerter and Wendell Jensen were speakers.

Claremont. Less than day-old infant child of Arvin and Marlene Springthorpe, died July 25, 1956.

Claremont.

La Prete Bodouin Temple Wedding To Duke George

LaPrele Badouin will be married to Lloyd "Duke" George in the Los Angeles Temple early in August.

Receptions will be held in Berkeley August 8th at the Claremont Ward; and Las Vegas on August 10th.

LaPrele is a recent graduate of the Brigham Young University with a B.A. degree in music education. She has been active in the BYU a cappella choir which has extensively toured the west coast, including the Bay Area.

Other activities have been as a charter member and president of the Alcyone Social Unit and as a member of the Air Force ROTC sponsor corp.

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Berkeley Stake Calendar

Date		Event and Location	Time
Thurs.	2	Stake Family Night, Berkeley Chapel	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	4	Youth Dance—Concord Ward.	8:30 p.m.
Sat.	4	Stake M Men-Gleaner Picnic & Treasure Hunt, Cordinces Park	3:30 p.m.
		followed by a Dance at Berkeley Recreation Hall	9:00 p.m.
Sun.	5	Two-Stake Fireside—Berkeley and Oakland, Claremont Chapel (For all single persons of upper M Men-Gleaner and older ages—Berkeley Stake MIA hosts)	8:00 p.m.
Fri.	10	Annual District A Pioneer Summr Dance, Richmond Civic Auditorium for Berkeley, Oakland, Palo Alto, San Francisco, San Jose and Santa Rosa Stakes for young and old	9:00 p.m.
Fri.	10	Boy Scouts & Bee Hive Outing, Stake Farm.	
Sat.	11	Boy Scouts & Bee Hive Outing, Stake Farm.	
		Youth Dance—Concord Ward.	7:00 p.m.
	11	Stake High Priest Quorum Meeting, Berkeley Chapel	7:00 p.m.
	11	Stake General Priesthood Meeting, Berkeley Chapel	8:00 p.m.
Tues.	14	Stake Jr. M Men & Jr. Gleaner Moonlight Dance, Martinez Park	7:00 p.m.
Sat.	18	Iouth Dance—Concord Ward.	8:30 p.m.
Sat.	25	Stake Quarterly Conference—Berkeley Chapel.	
Sun.	26	Stake Quarterly Conference—Richmond Auditorium	10:00 p.m.
		Richmond Auditorium	2:00 p.m.
		Berkeley Chapel	7:30 p.m.
Thurs.	30	ANNUAL STAKE M. I. A. INSTITUTE, WALNUT CREEK CHAPEL	7:30 p.m.
Fri.	31	ANNUAL STAKE M. I. A. INSTITUTE, BERKELEY CHAPEL	7:30 p.m.

Wedding Bells

Alameda Ward: Donna Hughes was married to Roland M. Rice of Oakland Third (Dimond); reception at the Alameda chapel, July 7.

Alameda: Lovinia Burke was married to Richard Irwin July 14 at her home. Mr. Irwin is a teacher at the university at Davis, California, and was a graduate of Reed College, Oregon. They will live in Portland.

Richmond: The evening of July 16 was the date Lorese Thomson and Bobbie Gene Brown became man and wife in a double-ring ceremony, with Bishop Ernest Henderson officiating.

Oakland: Anna Lu, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard C. Pearce, was married July 13, 1956 in Oakland to Thomas Bond, also of Oakland.

El Cerrito: Mr. and Mrs. Don L. Kimball celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Friday, July 20, at the Cerrito city club.

San Mateo: Following the wedding ceremony June 16 by Bishop Daniels uniting Mr. Dale C. Lund of Los Angeles and Muriel Lund of San Mateo 2nd Ward, a delightful reception was held at the ward recreation hall. Muriel is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Lund, Jr.

San Mateo: Richard Ray Hansen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raynold A. Hansen of San Mateo 2nd Ward, was married to Myrna Roundy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miles D. Roundy in the Manti Temple on June 1. Receptions were held, first in the Geneva Ward hall, Orem, Utah, June 1, and then in the San Mateo Ward chapel, Monday, June 18. Friends of the young couple wish them much happiness.

Claremont: La Prele Deane Badouin, daughter of Mr. George F. Badouin of Claremont Ward, will be honored at a reception in the ward lounge August 8 following her marriage in the Los Angeles Temple to Mr. Lloyd Dee George.

Claremont: Mr. David Lynden Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don C. Wood of Claremont Ward, was recently married to Miss June Carroll of Los Angeles in the Los Angeles Temple. The reception was held at Claremont Ward on Saturday, June 23, from 7:30 to 9:30.

Redwood City: A wedding reception was tendered George Boyd Hall and Jacqueline Yates August 6 in McKay Ward, Salt Lake City. Boyd is the son of the George W. Halls, formerly of Berkeley and Major and Mrs. Huish F. Yates of S.L.C. A Temple marriage preceeded.

QUOTE . . . "We often confuse reverence with deportment. Deportment has to do with conduct, the rules of which are usually imposed by those in charge. But reverence is a feeling or mental attitude of revering, deep respect."—W. Tenney Cannon, Santa Monica Stake High Council.

Berkeley Stake.

MIA News And Stake Activities

Highlighting mutual activities of the Berkeley Stake for August and September are three events: (a) the annual District A Summer Pioneer dance with the Berkeley Stake as host to Oakland, Palo Alto, San Francisco, San Jose and Santa Rosa Stakes; (b) the annual Berkeley Stake MIA Institute and (c) the Stake Road Shows.

Richmond Civic Auditorium will be the scene of the pioneer dance on Friday, August 10 and will feature the music of Jimmie Blass' orchestra.

ings will highlight the Spirit of Improvement in Leadership and Teaching in the mutual program. Material offered ward Mutual leaders will be designed to lead to improved and effective leadership and teaching.

"Footlights and Folklore" is the theme for the 1956-57 Road shows, scheduled for September 28 and 29.

Another highlight of the August calendar will be the fireside meeting of the newly organized stake fireside for single and unattached adults to be held Sunday, August 5 at the Claremont Chapel. Marion

Features of the afternoon inincluded an unusually fine parade by the Primary children and cub scouts of both Stakes, games and sports including races, a horseshoe tournament and an all-star baseball game between Berkeley and Oakland Stakes.

Another outstanding event of the afternoon was the exhibition of folk and square dances by eight couples from Oakland stake.

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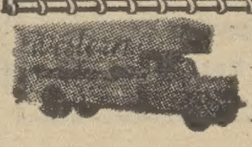

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Berkeley Ward

Two Apostles Visit in Berkeley

A rare treat for Berkeley First and Second Wards came Sunday July 8 when Spencer W. Kimball of the Twelve addressed the sacrament meeting. A glorious spiritual feast! "What is the spiritual Ph. D. we are seeking in this Church of Jesus Christ?", he asked. And he answered, "It is exaltation in celestial glory. No less."

Mark E. Peterson of the Council of Twelve and Mrs. Emma Marr Peterson surprised members of the two Berkeley wards when they walked into the joint sacrament services Sunday evening July 22. Elder Peterson inspired the audience with a short talk at the close of the DUP program

After the meeting Elder and Mrs. Peterson and a dozen ward members were guests of Brother and Sister Delbert F. Rock.

Richmond Ward

Diana Sandwich Wins Scholarships Other Honors

By Beverly Stevenson

Richmond ward is proud of Diana Joy Sandwick, 17, daughter of Mrs. Irene Wilson, as she has now added to her many achievements, a four-year scholarship to Brigham Young University. The scholarship includes $100 a year for four years, provided she maintains an "A" average.

She also won a $250 scholarship to use at the college of her choice. awarded by the Exchangettes of Richmond.

She served as president of the junior gleaners for two years; was vice president of the Richmond ward Seminary and was pianist in the Junior Sunday School.

Berkelely Stake Girls Spend Week In MIA Liahona Camp

By Ray Rackley

One hundred thirty-one Berkeley stake girls and leaders returned Monday, June 16, from a week's stay at the Liahona lodge in the high Sierras near Pinecrest where they had camped, cooked and slept outdoors.

The success of the trip was due largely to the intelligent planning and work of the Berkeley stake YWMIA leaders and to the generosity of the Bay area members of the Church who own and operate the lodge.

In direct charge of the excursion was Bette Jones, capable Berkeley stake YWMIA camp director.

The girls were organized into groups of ten or so, each group having an adult leader. Appropriate names were chosen for each group—Skeeters, Curly Q's, Sierra Maids—and individual camps were set up near the main lodge.

Reveille was at 7:00 A.M. A daily devotional followed at 7:30. The day's activities included camp cleanup, handicraft, hikes, treasure hunts, wood detail and teasing Sid Feller.

There was a nightly campfire program of games, songs and fun. Ten o'clock found the girls in bed and quiet (usually).

Saturday night the girls put on a special entertainment around the campfire. Sue Fife was the cap-

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El Cerrito Had Gathered Then Her Beauty and Her Chivalry

Don L. and Shirley Kimball of East Richmond Ward celebrated their (first) Golden Wedding anniversary July 20 in the ElCerrito City Club on Kearney Street.

Then came 300 of El Cerrito's social an business elite, the Kimball tribe in force, and friends from hither and yon in crowds. It was a gala, uplifting evening.

Eighteen feet of Cadillac with Shirley's greetings to Don stood on the parkway near the club entrance while inside golden colored presents lined the west wall.

Stretching across the rear of the auditorium was an array of tempting eatables and punch. At long tables all set for lunch the guests took place to feast while enjoying an M. C'd program of tributes to the happy couple, responses by Don and Shirley, organ, violin and piano music, and an address on marriage by Pres. W. Glenn Harmon of Berkeley Stake. Prayer was by Isaac B. Ball, and violin solos were returned by Mrs. Lola Esperson, wife of Bishop Esperson of East Richmond Ward.

This event will remain long in memory as an outstanding tribute to a noble couple of a distinguished line, the Heber C. Kimballs. Don L. kept up the LDS standards, and Pres. Harmon explain the doctrine of marriage for time and eternity, and led the Kimball family chorus in a mass singing of O, My Father.

Lester J. Swayze In Millionaire Club

Lester J. Swayze was inducted into Benefical Life's Millionaire Club, May 11, 1956, in Oakland, California. Presentation of the coveted certificate of membersip was made by Martin L. Robinette of the Home Office, acting in behalf of the Millionaire Club President, Verd Edwards.

Agents and wives of the Charles J. Taylor Agency extended congratulations to Les and Ellan at a delightful smorgasbord dinner. Other Millionaires present were Marion Redford and Bill Emery.

Concord Wrd

Concord Wards Have Successful Youth Outing

Twenty-six tired but happy young girls returned Tuesday from a week's outing at the Stake Mutual Camp at the Liahona Campsite. The three group leaders, Miss Camille Swensen, Mrs. Lilie Bell Wickle and Mrs. Sandy Geddes reported that an exhilarating time was enjoyed by all. They were especially happy to welcome Bishop Cook for Sunday services at camp.

Girls attending were Jane Nelson, Lola Wickle, Carol Cook, Frances Brockbank, Sandra Starr, Karen Erickson, Lynne Card, Morretta Skidmore, Karen Christensen, Kathleen Erickson, Carol Hermansen, Celia Wittwer, Judy Jarvis, Christine Irish, Ina Irish, Barbara Parker, Esther Carlson, Penny Jones, Arnie Lane, Jill Greenwood, Rosann Linford, Linda Lee, Bonnie Baird, Joan Granquist, Barbara Pimentel, Carolyn Hill.

Two girls, Arnie Lane and Geraldine Bee attended conference in Salt Lake and sang with the group. They related their experiences to the ward Sunday, July 22.

A successful Fathers and Sons outing was held at Big Basin. weekend of July 14.

The Saturday Night Teen Age dances are still being held regularly in the Concord Ward hall.

Tuesday July 24th the Special Interest Class and their friends heard Thomas Ferguson give his interesting ilustrated lecture on the Book of Mormon Country at the Concord Ward chapel.

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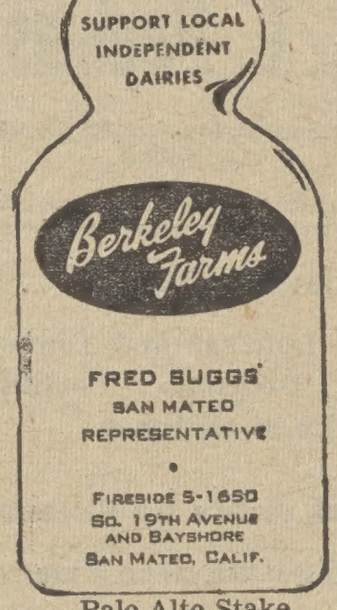

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Walnut Creek Ward

Seven Girls Get Joy Awards

By Bonnie Clark

June 8 was a proud day for parents of Mia Maids. In Sacrament meeting seven girls received their Mia Joy awards: Andrea Everett, Jenette Smith, Linda Skidmore, Claudia Clark, Lucy Christiansen, Beverly Cherrington, Rosalie Erickson. Also recognized Alice Everett, leaders of these girls.

June 10 quite a few girls of the ward were excited as they left for the Liahona Camp. There they enjoyed the close friendship of the other girls of the stake and their leaders for a week.

The Guide Patrol, 11-year old Scouts, went on an overnight camp-out with their fathers and leader, Tony Clark, at Mt. Herms July 13-14.

Did you notice the shrubs the deacons' quorom planted in the patio-planter at the chapel, July 14th? After their work the boys and leaders enjoyed a refreshing swim.

The explorers with their fathers had dinner and swimming July 17 at Castle Rock Park.

July 7 marked the first of the movies to be shown to raise funds for the new inter-stake building. Watch for the date of the next movie and support the fund.

August 7th the MIA is putting on a variety show and dance for you, come join us at MIA.

Firesides have started again. They're being held in the Lounge after Sacrament meetings for college and high school-age young men and women.

Remember Fast Day Sacrament meetings will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Sundays as the other Sacrament meetings are held.

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Heber C. Kimball, Edward Partridge and William Clayton, you must be triply proud of your faithful, devoted grand-daughter, Sister Alta Kimball Hammer of San Francisco Ward. She is carrying on in your brave tradition. The heritage you have given her is paying richly in her life of service to her fellowmen. Could you be more proud of anything than her testimony, "I have never never for a moment, in all of my life, doubted that this was the true Church of Jesus Christ."

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A recent (June 1) party was held at the home of Brother Kenneth Davis by the Senior Aaronic Quorum. Brother Davis is a member of this group. Shown in photo above is the party in progress, with Bishop Bickley in figured shirt beside Clovey LeCroix a recent convert.

This group is very active both in attendance, assignments and other church obligations. They have plans for more of these parties in order to encourage others to join them. They also have a Sunday evening study club that is very well attended.

Rodeo Ward

Rummage Sale Plans Underway

By Una Ellsworth

A rummage sale will be a fund-raising event at the Bayo Vista Housing Auditorium, Sept. 12, 13, and 14. Sister Florence Wanlass will be in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kerns of Hercles spent their annual vacation at their former home in Utah.

Miss Martha McKay, a former member of our ward, visited recently from Japan with relatives here and in El Sobrante. Her parents are employed with the U.S. government in Japan.

P.F.C. Don Bullock of Coeur d' Alene, Idaho, was calling on old friends here this month. Don lived here four years ago. When his family moved to Idaho, young Bullock joined the army and has been stationed at Camp Wood, Japan. After a 25 day leave, Don will report in at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Clark and family are vacationing at Bryce and Grand Canyons and Little Rock, Arkansas . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Lott and daughter Rosemary, spent their vacation with relatives and friends in their home state, Utah . . . Inquiring friends will be happy to learn that Florida Priest, a former Rodeoan, now residing in Vallejo, is recovering from major surgery.

Martinez Ward.

New MIA Heads Accept Office

By Alva Mae Forsyth

Carla Zenk was sustained as age group counselor and Berma Polson as sports director, June 3, as Dorothy Burgess was released as age group counselor and Shirley Taylor as sports director in the YW-MIA.

On July 1: Milton Brown was released as a teacher in the YMMIA; Joan Leah Johnson was confirmed a member; Glen W. Collier was blessed by John Henricksen; and Glenda Collier was blessed by Boyd Duke.

Nancy Sorrick was sustained as assistant Sunday School secretary, and Shirley Cook as pianist for the Junior Sunday School, July 8.

Steven and Deanna Ellis will do baptisms for the dead while vacationing with their parents, Gloria and Verne Ellis in Idaho Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Werner Von Dorf announce the engagement of their daughter, Elinor to Ronald Hughes, recently returned missionary.

BERKELEY STAKE GIRLS
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able mistress of ceremonies. Among the acts were: a song by the Wolves, "Down in Arkansas," a skit by the Fire Flies, "The Fish Bowl's Empty," a duet by Shari and Gayle Evans, "Zingarella," "All that was left was the sap," a trap set by the Chain Gang into which charming Maxine Pickett fell, guitar-vocal selections by Carol Lynne Barres and pantomimes by Rosalie Ericksen.

Sunday brought the climax of the Liahona encampment with its morning Sunday School, the afternoon sacrament meeting in the grove, the evening testimony session about the cheering campfire and under a soft moon.

While the Sunday School exercises, led by Supt. Kirke M. Decker was truly inspiring, and the sacrament meeting led by Coun. Jay Brown, with music by the girls' choir, led and trained by Lois Sconberg, and remarks by Isaac B. Ball, stake patriarch, was deeply spiritual, still all, perhaps, would agree that the concluding testimony meeting was the most touching and thrilling event of the entire week at Liahona.

With voices quivering with deep feeling, and in kindly words of love one towards another, the girls rose in rapid succession to bear testimony to the joy they had experienced.

But the one word that was most often expressed was "friendship". Some declared that altho they had associated with these girls in their ward activities for years, still never before had they lived so intimately with them, and so closely felt the joy of warm, loving friendship as during this week in the mountains sleeping, working, playing, talking, singing, hiking, eating, sharing all things together.

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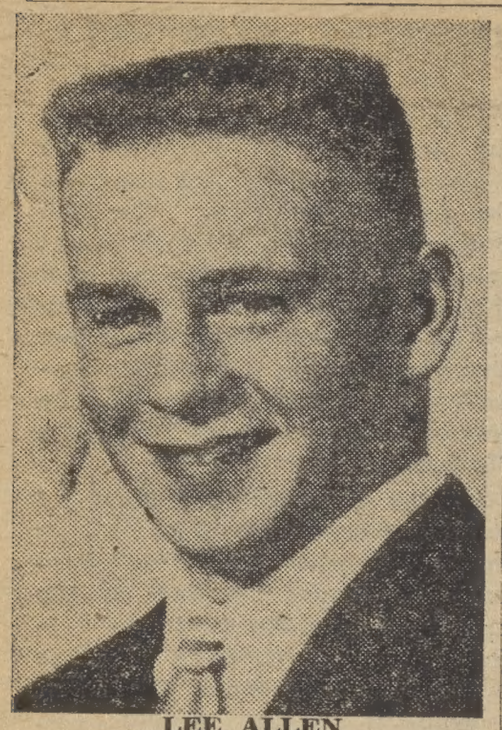

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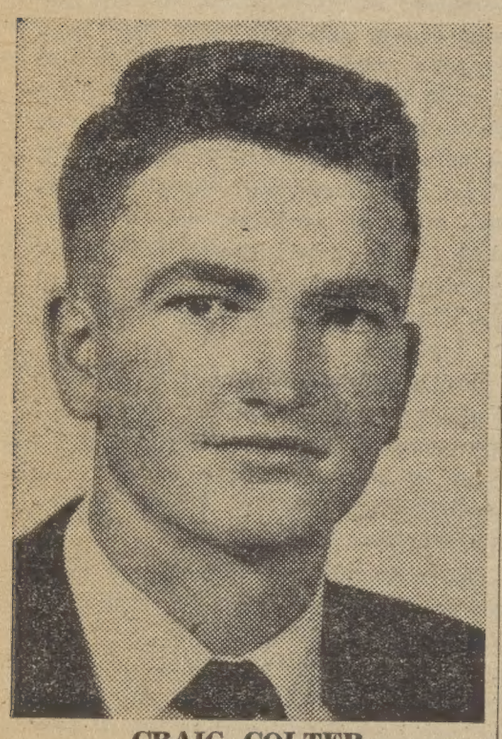

CRAIG COLTER

Two LDS Youths Win Appointments To West Point

Two LDS boys from Palo Alto, Lee Allen and Craig Colter, have received appointments to West Point Military Academy. The boys were to report to the military academy on July 3. Both boys are active priests in the Palo Alto Ward.

The appointments are unique in that Lee and Craig are very good friends. Craig has lived with Lee during the past year in order to complete his senior year at the Palo Alto high school. After taking physical, aptitude, and achievement tests in the spring, Craig received an appointment by an Arizona representative, and Lee by a Utah Senator. Craig and Lee were graduated from the Palo Alto high school this spring and are the only students from that high school who will attend West Point this year.

Lee and Craig have outstanding activity and service records at high school and in Church. Craig played on the church and also the school basketball teams, was active in several school clubs, and was a member of the California Scholarship Federation, an honorary society. Craig is active in his priesthood work, YMMIA, Sunday School, and seminary. He hopes to follow a career in the Air Force.

Lee was student body president of the Palo Alto high school last year. He was junior class president, a member of the school legislative council, and an active participant in track. He was chosen to represent the high school as a foreign exchange student in Germany last summer. Lee played on the LDS basketball team. He attends priesthood functions, Sunday School, sacrament meetings, and YMMIA regularly. Lee is aiming for a military career following his graduation from West Point.

Awards to El Cerrito High LDS Boys

Richard Jensen was presented a Bank of America certificate while Dave Owens carried off a $200 award for an essay contest at the graduating exercises of El Cerrito high school last June.

These Berkeley Second Ward boys are high in Aaronic Priesthood activities in their ward. Dave won the European student exchange honors a year ago and spent several weeks living with a German family in East Germany.

Northern Calif. BYU Students Win Honors

Two young LDS members won honors from the Brigham Young University recently.

Loretta Little of Gridley received a scholarship as outstanding secretarial student with highest business education score.

To Robert D. Bolinder of North Sacramento was given a First Security Bank Foundation award, one of three such awards available at the "Y". Spring honor rolls list Reginald Coultas, Carmel, and Lawrence Goldup, Palo Alto.

Richard Pheps, Oakland, has been named business manager of the B.Y.U. campus daily newspaper, The Universe for the summer session.

In September Richard, a senior in accountant student, will assume the duties as business manager of the BYU yearbook, The Banyan.

Berkeley LDS Institute of Religion Celebrates Tenth Anniversary

The LDS Institute, University of California at Berkeley, will hold a reunion during the week-end of Sept. 7, 8, 9 to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the establishing of the Institute.

All former and present members of the Institute and of Lambda Delta Sigma are invited to participate in the activities.

An organizational meeting was held the evening of July 19 and the following committees were formed: co-ordinators, Enid Young and Harold Eldredge; finance, Floyd Pickett, Gordon Davis, Scott Dunham, Marlton Simons; housing and baby-sitting, Mary Wallman; registration, Rose Mari Dunham, Mary Simons, Maxine Pickett; publicity, Margaret Martingdale, Jerry Zenger, Jack Smith; correspondence, Nadine Rock, Joyce Davis, Pat Hinckley, Jack Smith; picnic, Scott and Joan Bybee; dinner-dance, Bud Stone; Sunday morning service, Delmar Young.

George T. Boyd, the first director of the Institute, will attend the three-day celebration and will be one of the speakers at the Sunday services.

Registration and a social will be held at the Institute on LaConte Avenue Friday evening, September 7, commencing at 7 p.m. Saturday a family picnic will begin at 10:30 a.m. The place will be announced later.

A dinner-dance is planned for the evening. Devotional services will be held Sunday morning at a time and place yet to be determined.

An attempt is being made by the correspondence committee to contact all former members. The committee has requested that they be contacted by all past members so as to avoid overlooking anyone, for the passage of ten years has left many an unknown address. Those desiring to be super-active can contact a committee chairman and the help will be appreciated.

Claremont

What's Going To Happen September First?

By Ruth Garrod

WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN AT CLAREMONT WARD SEPTEMBER 1ST? A tip from your reported—come and find out.

A bridal shower was held at the home of Bishop and Mrs. Millward for La Prele Badouin by Mrs. Grace Millward and Mrs. Ella Krabbe, Thursday, July 19th. There were 27 ladies present. Games were played; refreshments were wonderful. La Prele received many wonderful gifts. Plans are for an August marriage.

The family of Nancy Rawson met June 30th in her honor. It ing. All five of her living children were present, as well as many othed descondents, 54 in all. The one thing that almost ruined the reunion was that Sister Rawson was unable to attend, due to illness; however it was her wish that the reunion be held as usual.

The meeting was held at Cordonies Park, with a picnic lunch. In the evening a smorgasbord was served. An entertainment in the recreation hall followed. Sister Rawson now has 21 grandchildren 50 great-grandchildren. Members of the family came from Iraho, Texas, Utah, and Southern California.

Miss Rhea Barton became the bride of Mr. Robert R. Horrocks, June 23rd 1956 at 8:00 p.m. at Claremont chapel. They visited Las Vegas, Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, Zion Canyon, Salt Lake City and Tahoe. Their home now is in Walnut Creek.

After the next ward dinner a play will be presented by the MIA We hope all will come and enjoy the fun and activities the MIA is having this summer. The July dance and Pioneer Day program were attended by great numbers.

Pleasant Hill.

Bishop Urges Daily Prayers for Family

Shirley P. Moore

BISHOP'S MESSAGE

Prayer is the means by which we communicate with God, our Father in Heaven. Sincere, personal prayer should be part of our daily routine, night and morning. Every family should also join together night and morning and kneel in family prayer.

No family or person is living fully in accord with the gospel if they do not have their daily prayers. Let us all receive of this source of strength, guidance, and renewal.

Remember your prayers so that God can direct your life.

Joseph Roy Hilton, Bishop

The second movie-night will be held August 3, featuring the musical comedy, "Where's Charley", starring Roy Bolger. The last of the family movie-nights comes September 7 with the showing of "Brigham Young". Daryl Dangerfield is chairman of the committee in charge.

Paul Oram was rcently released as teacher of the genealogical class and Neal Christenson and Elaine Prince appointed.

These girls were recently awarded the MIA Joy golden rose pins: Sharon McQuivey, Linda Curtis, Linda Tomlinson, Cheryl White, and Bonnie Oram.

he ward choir joined with the Singing Mothers recently for a swimming and barbecue party at the home of Joyce Moroni; directors being Liahona Christenson and JoAnne Chalmers, choir director. The party also served as a farewell to Shirley Moore, ward organist, who is moving from the ward.

Desert Book Company Lowers Price Of History of Church

The Desert Book Co., announces that the Church would like to sell more of the Documentary History of the Church. They therefore offer volume II free with very purchase of volume I at its regular price of $3.00, during this special inducement sale.

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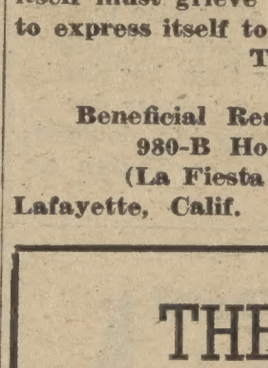

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Quotes

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